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SUBJ: BIO INFORMATION ON ROLANDO KEMPF MERCADO,  
NEW BOLIVIAN AMBASSADOR TO ECUADOR

REF: (A) QUITO 4200 (B) STATE 151906

1. NOTE: EMBASSY IS UNABLE TO SUPPLY COMPLETE  
BIOGRAPHIC DATA ON KEMPF AS INFORMATION NOT YET  
AVAILABLE FROM FOREIGN MINISTRY - PARTIAL BIOGRAPHIC  
DATA REPORT FOLLOWS:

DATA AND REMARKS

A. DATE AND PLACE OF BIRTH: MARCH 5, 1919, SANTA  
CRUZ DE LA SIERRA

B. EDUCATION/TRAINING: MASTERS (LIC.) IN FINANCE  
AND ECONOMICS

HIGH SCHOOL: COLEGIO NACIONAL FLORIDA DE SANTA CRUZ  
1944 UNIVERSITY: FACULTIVO'S IN THE SCHOOL OF  
ECONOMIC AND FINANCIAL SCIENCES OF UNIVERSIDAD  
MAYOR DE SAN ANDRES.

SCHOOL OF BUSINESS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF INDIANA  
POST-GRADUATE: UNIVERSITY OF SANTIAGO, CHILE,  
CEPAL; (U.N.) SEMINARS IN ECONOMICS.

C. CAREER: ECONOMIST BY PROFESSION

1944- PROFESSOR OF MATH AND STATISTICS AT SAN  
ANDRES UNIVERSITY,  
PROFESSOR OF BANKING STATISTICS AT SCHOOL  
OF BANKING,

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1967 CHIEF, STATISTICS SECTION, YPFB

1970- COLUMNIST, ULTIMA HORA: "ECONOMIC ANALYSIS"  
1967-1971 PRESIDENT, BANCO MINERO DE BOLIVIA  
1971-1974 SUB-COMPTROLLER OF THE REPUBLIC  
1974-PRESENT COMPTROLLER OF THE REPUBLIC  
D. FOREIGN TRAVEL: UNITED STATES AND CHILE, AS NOTED.  
EMBASSY HAS NO FURTHER DATA AT PRESENT.  
E. FOREIGN LANGUAGES: ENGLISH  
F. MEMBERSHIP IN ORGANIZATIONS:OMELEGIO DE ECONOMISTAS;  
ACADEMICA BOLIVIAN DE CIENCIAS ECONOMICAS  
G. MARITAL STATUS: WIFE- LOLA BACIGALUPO,  
CHILDREN OSCAR, FERNANDO, VILMA  
H. POLITICAL AFFILIATION: FORMER LEADER, PARTIDO  
SOCIAL DEMOCRATA (PSD) SMALL, RIGHT-WING SOCIAL  
DEMOCRATIC PARTY. REPRESENTED PSD AS ADVISOR TO  
NEW GOVERNMENT, 1964. ARRESTED AS PSD LEADER IN  
1971 FOLLOWING ATTEMPTED COUP AGAINST THEN PRESIDENT  
JUAN JOSE TORRES.  
I. ATTITUDE TOWARD US/OTHER COUNTRIES: KEMPF IS  
VERY FRIENDLY TOWARD U.S. AND HAS ALWAYS BEEN  
ACCESSIBLE TO EMBASSY OFFICIALS.  
J. PERSONAL DATA: LOCAL OPINION  
OF KEMPF IS VERY  
HIGH AND HE IS WELL-RESPECTED AS AN ECONOMIST.  
HE HAS HELD VARIOUS HIGH-LEVEL POSITIONS IN  
GOVERNMENT AND BANKING SPANNING SEVERAL GOB  
ADMINISTRATIONS, AND WAS MADE HEAD OF THE BANCO  
MINERA AT A TIME REFORMS AND IMPROVEMENTS WERE  
DEEMED NECESSARY. EMBASSY STAFF MEMBERS WHO HAVE  
HAD CONTACT WITH HIM CHARACTERIZE HIM AS HIGHLY  
KNOWLEDGEABLE IN HIS FIELDS, PARTICULARLY FINANCES  
AND THE MINERALS SECTOR; COMPETENT; STABLE AND  
VERY COURTEOUS. KEMPF'S SON, FERNANDO, IS A  
GEOLOGIST FOR THE STATE-OWNED STEEL COMPANY,  
SIDERSA. FERNANDO IS MARRIED TO AN AMERICAN AND  
IS ALSO WELL KNOWN TO THE EMBASSY AND FRIENDLY  
TO THE U.S.  
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